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In re application of: LEAHY et al.)	Examiner: Cao (Kevin) NGUYEN
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Serial No.: 09/632,154)	Group Art Unit: 2173
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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ENABLING USERS TO INTERACT IN A VIRTUAL SPACE)	
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Dear Sir:

This is a request for the Office to withdraw the Advisory Action mailed on September 26, 2003 and provide a non-Final Office Action.

On June 11, 2003, Applicant filed a response to the final Office Action mailed on May 21, 2003.

The Office mailed an Advisory Action to Applicant on July 7, 2003.

On July 30, 2003, Applicant filed a Request For Continued Examination (RCE). A true and correct copy of the RCE, which includes a certificate of transmission, is attached hereto. Attached to the RCE is a facsimile confirmation sheet showing that the Office received the RCE on July 30, 2003.

Applicant and the Examiner had an interview on August 5, 2003 and Applicant filed a Preliminary Amendment on August 14, 2003. A true and correct copy of the Preliminary Amendment, which includes a certificate of transmission, is attached hereto. Attached to the

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Preliminary Amendment is a facsimile confirmation sheet showing that the Office received the RCE on August 14, 2003.

Pursuant to the RCE procedures, the response to the Office Action filed on May 21, 2003 and the Preliminary Amendment should be considered. The Advisory Action mailed on September 26, 2003 is premature and should be withdrawn. A non-Final Office Action is therefore requested.

Dated: October 31, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

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